

CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**

☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

DATE: 12/8/2021

DOCKET #: 2021-1035

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Patricia Boyd Robertson
Office: Clerk, Criminal District Court
Parish: ORLEANS
Election Date: 11/13/2021
Level of Office: Major

P.O. Box 870455
New Orleans, LA
70187

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: 90-P
Original Due Date: 7/12/2021
Date Filed: 7/26/2021
Activity Receipts: \$8,372.59
Expenditures: \$0
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$8,372.59

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$1,400
Days Late: 14
Late Fee Order Received: N/A
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 1/1/3000
Waiver Request Received: 10/20/21
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Candidate sent in waiver request by email and regular mail and states that she went to open a campaign account on June 1, 2021 and was told they could not open her account until after she qualified for the election which was not until July 14-16, 2021. She said she needed to pay for signs and other expenses so she paid those herself and did not realize that it would be considered as a loan to her campaign. She planned to pay the expenses from the campaign when the account was opened. She said she did not learn that a campaign finance report was due until July 26, 2021 and filed the 90th day to Primary Report on the following business day July 29, 2021. She has hired an experienced report preparer for future reporting.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: Yes (2006)
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No

Melissa Horn

From: Bruce Gallassero <gallassero@msn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 20, 2021 10:02 AM
To: Melissa Horn
Subject: Waiver Request - Patricia Robertson
Attachments: Letter to La. Board of Ethics - Waiver Request.pdf

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Melissa,

Attached is the waiver request from Patricia Robertson. Thanks again for helping me understand the process.

Bruce Gallassero
(504) 914-7603

Patricia Boyd-Robertson
P.O. Box 870455
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October 13, 2021

Louisiana Board of Ethics
P.O. Box 4368
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

RE: Late fee assessments for the November 13, 2021 Election

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I have retained the services of a campaign finance consultant to complete my reports. This consultant has over 25 years of experience reporting for political committees and candidates in Louisiana.

I also completed the online Campaign Finance training course, and have included my certificate of completion.

I would be happy to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with this waiver request, should you desire additional information or explanation.

Sincerely,



Patricia Boyd-Robertson

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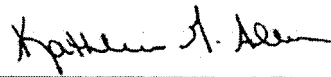
Campaign Finance Disclosure Training

on: September 27, 2021



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Executive Secretary





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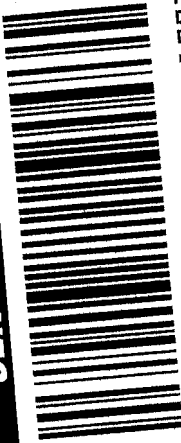
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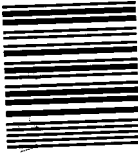
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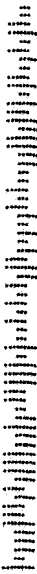


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